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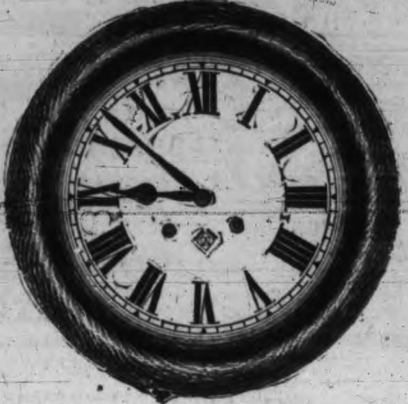
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improvements, docks, warehouses, and
railroad facilities, was opened to com-
merce in December, 1901.

Tallienwan bay is one of the finest
deep-water harbors on the Pacific. It
is free from ice in winter time, and
ships drawing 30 feet of water can en-
ter at low tide without difficulty, and
without the aid of pilots, can sail or
steam alongside the immense docks and
piers, where their cargoes are landed.

IMPROBABLE.
It is Reported That Whole of Port
Dalny Has Been Destroyed.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—4:30 p.m.—
Later telegram received here indicate
that the whole of Port Dalny has been
destroyed by the Russians.

STILL ISOLATED.
Railroad Communication With Port
Arthur Has Not Been Restored.

Tokio, May 1.—8 p.m.—Official in-
quiry shows that Viceroy Alexieff's re-
port that railroad communication with
Port Arthur has been restored since
Monday is untrue.

CLEARING THE ENTRANCE.
Report That Torpedo Boat Destroyers
Are Now Able to Leave Port
Arthur.

New York, May 12.—The World, quoting
the St. Petersburg correspondent of the
London Daily Express, says:
"I learn from official sources that so
far from blowing up their warships,
which would be done only at the very
last extremity, the Japanese at Port Ar-
thur are engaged in clearing the entrance
of the harbor, which was more or less
completely blocked by the stone-laden
ships sent in by the Japanese for that
purpose. The task is one of extreme
difficulty, for the merchantmen were
filled with concrete and masses of iron.
In order to remove their obstructions
divers have been sent down with drilling
apparatus to bore holes in the 'torpedos'
for placing dynamite charges in effective
positions. These divers have been at
work several days, and, according to
latest reports, have sufficiently cleared
the channel to admit the passage of tor-
pedo boat destroyers."

NO SIGN OF JAPS.
Officers of Steamers Which Passed Port
Arthur Did Not See Togo's
Fleet.

Chefoo, May 12.—1:30 a.m.—The offi-
cers of steamers arriving from New-
chwang, also the district eastward to
Tasichiao, the junction of the railway,
to China, Col. Mulhe, military ad-
viser to Yann Shai Kai, viceroy of the
province of Chi Li, is now at New-
chwang, ready to take over the district.
The Russian troops, it is understood,
will remain until the Chinese troops ar-
rive. This is to prevent looting by brigands.

It is further stated that communica-
tion had not been restored with Port
Arthur when the steamers left New-
chwang. There had not been a train for
a week. The conduct of the Russian
attack on Anju is said to have been ex-
cellent throughout.

RUMOR OF ENGAGEMENT.
Fighting Reported to Be in Progress at
Port Arthur—No Confirmation.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—6:45 p.m.—
Rumors are widely current here that
fighting is in progress at Port Arthur,
but there is no official news confirming

the reports. The Russians still hold
Newchwang.

RUSSIANS HOLD NEWCHWANG.
Major-General Pflug Denies the Reports
of Evacuation.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—Major-Gen.
Pflug, telegraphing from Mukden under
to-day's date, describes the reports that
Newchwang has been evacuated, and
that the troops guarding the railway are
to be withdrawn, and to be replaced by
Chinese, as being devoid of foundation.

IN PERFECT ORDER.

Lloyd's Agent Does Not Anticipate Any
Trouble or Fighting at New-
chwang.

London, May 12.—Lloyd's agent at
Newchwang telegraphs by way of Che-
foo, under the date of May 12th, as fol-
lows:

"Produce is arriving in great quanti-
ties from up the river. A fair amount
of Manchester goods have arrived, but
more would come if a British warship
was here which would protect trade."
Newchwang is in perfect order. I do
not anticipate any trouble or fighting in
this vicinity. Great credit is due to
General Kondradovich, in command of
the Russian troops, and Civil Adminis-
trator Etzel.

PIERCE FIGHTING.
When Reinforcements Reached Anju
the Japs Fought, Pursued
By Japs.

Seoul, May 11.—5 p.m.—(Delayed in
transmission.)—Infantry reinforcements
reached the beleaguered Japanese troops
at Anju at 6:30 o'clock on the evening
of May 10th. The garrison had fought
fiercely for 12 hours, the men reserving
their fire until the enemy were at close
range upon each attempt to storm the
gate. The Japs then retired over
the eastern hill toward Yang Pyang-
tong, the provincial capital, leaving 50 killed
and wounded on the field, and one non-
commissioned officer captured. The Jap-
anese lost four killed and six wounded,
besides one telegraph operator.

The Japanese troops are now in pur-
suit of the enemy, and an engagement
is momentarily expected.
It is supposed that the Japs are
part of the body which crossed the head
waters of the Yalu near Chang Song,
and occupied Chang Ju, not knowing of
the disaster which had attended their
arms on the Yalu, continuing to carry
out their orders to harass the enemy
and cut off its communications, which
would now be impossible with even a
much larger force.

THE CASUALTIES.

Japs Lost Ten Killed and Wounded and
the Russians Fifty.

Tokio, May 11.—11 a.m.—Later de-
tails of the Russian attack on Anju last
Tuesday state that the fighting lasted
all day. Japanese reinforcements ar-
rived from Ping Yang at 1 o'clock in the
afternoon. The Russians retired on
Wednesday morning with the approach
of further Japanese reinforcements from
Kosen. The Japanese are pursuing the
Russians in the direction of Kai Chong.
The Japanese casualties at Anju were
four killed and six wounded. The Rus-
sian casualties were about 50. A Rus-
sian said the Japs had numbered 500.

OFFICERS KILLED.

Were Picked Off By Japanese Sharp-
shooters During Attack on
Anju.

Seoul, May 12.—The latest reports
show that the Russian force which re-
cently attacked Anju formed part of
Gen. Mandaroff's flying column of 700
Cossacks from Liao Yang. They were
covering 25 miles daily. Prisoners of
this party captured by the Japanese say
the Russians had only 12 days' provi-
sions, that half the men refused to fight,
and that the Japanese sharpshooters
picked off several of the Russian offi-
cers.

MOVING SOUTHWARD.

Japanese Advancing Towards Kinchow
—Czar is Anxious to Go to Front.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—Emperor
Nicholas is arranging to go to Khar-
kov on May 23rd to bid farewell to the
army corps upon its departure for the
Far East.

The Associated Press learns from the
highest source that the Emperor is ex-
ceedingly anxious to go to the front. To
his intimates recently he has spoken
much on the subject, but he realizes
that conditions of state demand his
presence at home. Nevertheless it is
now not considered impossible that he
will follow the example of all the
Romanoff dynasty during the past cen-

tury and undergo his baptism of fire. To
fight with an army is one of the tradi-
tions of his house. Alexander I. entered
Paris with the allies after the battle of
Waterloo, Nicholas I. died in a common
soldier's hotel in the Crimea and Alex-
ander II. with the help of the army, was
at the front during the Turkish war.

Perhaps an additional reason why
Emperor Nicholas desires to meet the
enemy is that he carries on his body the
mark of a wound inflicted by a fanatic
Japanese policeman, when he was at-
tacked in a theatre at Otsu, during his
visit to Japan in 1891, only being saved
from death by the noble action of his
consin, Prince George of Greece.

Should he finally conclude to go His
Majesty would not assume active com-
mand of the troops, but would have an
Imperial headquarters, taking with him
all the members of his military cabinet.
Being on the spot the Emperor would
more easily advise Gen. Kuropatkin in
the event of any question of great mili-
tary moment which he might desire to
submit to His Majesty. But, of course,
the chief advantage would be the
stimulus which the personal presence of
the sovereign would have on the officers
and men.

From the official advice received here,
it is evident that the Japanese are pro-
ceeding very cautiously towards the in-
vestment of Port Arthur. While an in-
terruption of the telegraph and railroad
may again occur at any time, communi-
cation with the fortress was still open
last night.

Advice received by the general staff
show that the invaders who landed at
Pitewo are marching slowly on Kin-
chau, which is an advanced position de-
fending the Russian (Ginghar) Jichou
only a small force to cut the line at
Polandien, thus giving rise to the reports
that they had effected a landing at Port
Arthur. The Russians have occupied
Sishao Bay, on the east side of the Liao
Tung peninsula, opposite Kinchau,
showing that they have no intention of
withdrawing further south. On the
contrary conditions point to a stubborn
resistance.

Gen. Kuropatkin, in his official dispatches,
may show that the garrison of the for-
tress is much stronger than the Rus-
sians desired the enemy to believe. Fock
commands the fourth Siberian rifle divi-
sion of 10,000 men. If the whole divi-
sion is on the Liao Tung peninsula, Gen.
Stoessel has at least 30,000 men at his
disposal, which would render the invest-
ment of Port Arthur extremely difficult,
unless the Japanese bring up three times
that number of troops.

There is talk of the Japanese cutting
off the water supply of Port Arthur, but
this is declared to be impossible, as
condemned sea water is the chief source
of supply, the wells only being kept by
the Chinese.

GRAND DUKE CYRIL.
Will Require Close Attention and Most
Careful Treatment.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—Grand Duke
Cyril's whole nervous system and his
heart are somewhat seriously affected as
the result of his experiences at the time
of the blowing up of the battleship
Petropavsk off Port Arthur on April
13th, is the official report of his medical
attendants, who say the Grand Duke
will require the closest attention and
most careful treatment. His cure,
the doctors say, will be a difficult and tel-
lous process.

TAKE OFFENSIVE
AGAINST BRITISH

THIBETANS STEADILY
BOMBARDING THE CAMP

Natives Are Gathering in Large Num-
bers and the Mission is Practi-
cally Besieged.

(Associated Press.)
Gyangtse, Tibet, May 10.—(Delayed in
transmission.)—The Thibetans have
taken the offensive against the British
mission camp here.

From a fort about 6 furlongs away
they are steadily bombarding the camp
with a half-dozen guns, carrying solid
cannon balls of a pound weight.

Another large gathering of Thibetans
is reported from the Rong valley, and al-
though the British communications in the
rear are still open, the mission is
practically besieged.

Statement in Commons.
London, May 12.—Indian Secretary
Brodrick informed the House of Com-
mons to-day that the government had
decided that recent events in Thibet
made it inevitable that the British mis-
sion must advance to Lhasa, the capi-
tal, unless the Thibetans conceded to ne-
gotiate at Gyangtse, within a given date.
The Chinese ambassador had been notifi-
ed to this effect. At the same time,
added Mr. Brodrick, the government
does not intend to depart from its policy
regarding Thibet, as previously an-
nounced. All the necessary measures
will be taken to secure the lines of com-
munication.

SPAIN'S NEW WARSHIPS.

(Associated Press.)
Madrid, May 12.—The naval budget pro-
vides for the construction during the com-
ing five years of warships which will cost
\$7,500,000.

ALARMING FIRE AT FORT WILLIAM

C. P. R. ELEVATOR AND
CONTENTS DESTROYED

More Than Five Thousand Dollars of
Money Stolen From Mail Restored
By Bangs.

(Associated Press.)

Fort William, May 12.—This morning
about 1:45 the C. P. R. elevator, B, was
discovered an alarm, soon to be joined by
the town fire-bell. There was a strong
wind blowing from the east, which fanned
the blaze, and it only took about
two hours' time to reduce the large
building to a heap of burning timbers.
The steamers Newmount and Neebing
were near the elevator, but moved to a
safe distance up the river. Elevator B
had a capacity of about a million and a
half bushels, and was a wooden struc-
ture, ironclad outside. The town fire-
men worked like demons, and did grand
service to the buildings nearby. The C.
P. R. brigade were also on the scene,
and were of good help. Plate glass
windows were broken in the stores on
Simson street by the heat, 600 feet
from the elevator. Providence favored
the town, for it rained all the time dur-
ing the fire, and a fierce wind blew the
opposite direction. The Dominion Bank,
Dawson's hardware store, Piper's hard-
ware store, Platt's fancy goods, Ho-
rath's grocery, and Dr. Hamilton's
office and residence were in dan-
ger for a time. As the fire fiercely
burned it sounded like the roar of
Niagara. As stated above, the wind
favored the town, and the people think
they are lucky that the fire happened on
a rainy night. All that remains of the
elevator B is the tall brick chimney and
wrecked walls of the boiler and en-
gine rooms, and also a high heap of
mixed grain, tin sheeting and debris. It
is estimated that there was between
250,000 and 300,000 bushels of grain in
the building, but no official knows ex-
actly the quantity. The firemen are
still playing their hose upon the ruins
and pile of grain. Dawson & Co. lose
about \$1,000 in the loss of tools,
material, etc., in their workshops, and
Fraser & Oakley \$500 in oats, which
they had destroyed in a wooden build-
ing. The Woodhead block had all the
glass broken in the windows by heat, in-
cluding the Dominion Bank. There is
about \$1,000 loss by broken glass in
business buildings. At four this morn-
ing the residence of Mrs. Young caught
fire from a burning ember. It was soon
extinguished by the firemen. It kept
everybody busy protecting their own pri-
vate property from catching from the
flying pieces of fire that were blown by
the wind in a westerly direction of the
town. The citizens were of great as-
sistance to the firemen in their fight to
protect property. The fire tug Dudley
from Port Arthur rendered good service
by being towed over by the line, and
throwing a stream of water on the burn-
ing timbers that floated in the river. The
town commissioners have kindly offered
to supply electric energy to work ele-
vator E.

Must Pay License.
Winnipeg, May 12.—A license of \$200
will be required by the council from all
cigarette sellers.

New Building.
Winnipeg, May 12.—Brandon Y. M. C.
A. members will raise \$42,200 for a new
building and furnishings.

Seeking Land.
Winnipeg, May 12.—The local govern-
ment has received an offer of \$5 an acre
for 256,000 acres of the old Winnipeg
& Hudson's Bay railway grant, received
years ago in liquidation for an old claim.
A United States syndicate made the of-
fer.

The Mail Robbery.
Winnipeg, May 12.—Yesterday Cham-
berlain Government Detective Cham-
berlain and J. A. Bangs came to Cal-
gary from Regina, where Bangs had
been committed for complicity in the
mail robbery case. When they parted in
the early morning, Bangs said that the
money which had been taken from the
mails had been hidden in the country,
and that the two would go out and get
it. Chamberlain went down to Bangs's
house in Calgary a little while after, and
Bangs produced the money, between
\$5,000 and \$6,000.

VOTED FOR STRIKE.
Decision of Chicago Members of Masters'
and Pilots' Association.

(Associated Press.)
Chicago, May 12.—Chicago members of
the Masters' and Pilots' Association in this
city voted last night declaring almost
unanimously for a strike. Provisional
charters for the shipment of more than
1,500,000 bushels of grain from this port
were cancelled as soon as the result of the
vote was known. All of the grain will be
carried to the Atlantic seaboard by rail.

GOING TO AFRICA.

Prince Joachim Albrecht Will Accompany
Troops to Reinforce the Germans.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, May 12.—The Kolonial Zeitung
announces that Prince Joachim Albrecht,
second son of Prince Albrecht, of Prussia,
will accompany the next body of reinforce-
ments sent to German Southwest Africa.

TRANSFER OF PULP MILL CONCESSION

AMERICAN CAPITAL
INTERESTED IN DEAL

Seattle People Have Taken Hold of Bella
Coola Project—Have Purchased
the Kootenay.

(Associated Press.)

Another important transfer of pulp
mill property in this province has
taken place within the last few
months. The deal, which has just
been consummated, involves 300 miles
of tidal land, covered by some
of the best timber in British Columbia.
It is situated at Bella Coola, where in
1902 parliament, in order to encourage
the manufacture of pulp, granted a very
large concession to a company, condi-
tionally on an enterprise of the kind
contemplated by the act being started
and fully operated within three years.
The original holders of this concession,
for some reason, never fulfilled the
agreement, but they have succeeded in
interesting capital sufficient, it is be-
lieved, to meet all purposes and to carry
out the project in the immediate future.

The officers of the new company are
Charles H. Baker, president; A. E. Wil-
liams, vice-president and managing direc-
tor; H. M. Thompson, secretary; J. B.
Hart, attorney, and the First National
Bank of Seattle, treasurer.

The board of directors is made up of
C. H. Baker, president; J. B. Hart, vice-
president; and White River Power Company,
Seattle; A. H. Anderson, Seattle, vice-
president of the Mason County Logging
Company and secretary of the Simson
Logging Company; A. E. Williams, hun-
berman, Seattle; William G. Tanner,
Seattle, and R. H. Thompson, Tacoma.

The new company will be known as the
Bella Coola Development Company.
It has been incorporated under the laws
of Washington and registered in British
Columbia. Of some it is not an Amer-
ican capital that is interested. The man-
agers of the old company still retain an
interest. The capital stock is 1,000,000
shares of \$1 per share, fully paid up and
non-assessable.

Mr. Williams, the manager, arrived
here from Seattle yesterday. He has
purchased for his company the beautiful
little steam launch Kootenay, belonging
to Capt. James Tromp, which last year
ran to the Gorge in the interests of the
Victoria Tourist Association and which
was brought down here by the new
manager of the C. P. R. coast steam-
ships arrived to take up his residence in
this city. The launch has been acquired,
it is understood, for cruising purposes,
and in such work should prove an ideal
craft on the numerous inland waters on
which her owners' timber concessions
front.

The new concession includes timber
that will scale over two million feet
board measurement of fir, spruce and
cedar. None of this is situated more
than a distance of two miles from water
communication. In addition the com-
pany holds two large water-power loca-
tions on tide water and in the vicinity
of the timber. These aggregate over
20,000 horse-power. One is situated on
Cosmos inlet and the other on New
Meun creek. The company also holds
manufacturing sites, one including 200
square acres and the other 150 acres. It
is proposed to make the stock the most
valuable industrial asset on the coast.
The reservation includes 800,000 acres of
land.

A party of ten timber cruisers and
surveyors will be sent north from here
on the steamer Danube to-night to be-
gin work at once. Mr. Thompson, sec-
retary of the company, will arrive here
on one of the sound steamers to-night.
He was one of the original holders of
the concessions and is believed to have
been largely instrumental in effecting
the recent transfer. Mr. Williams was
seen this morning by a Times representa-
tive, but did not care to divulge the
company's plans until they have been
more fully matured.

CANADA'S TRADE.

Returns for Ten Months Show Increase of
\$13,177,000 Over Same Period
Last Year.

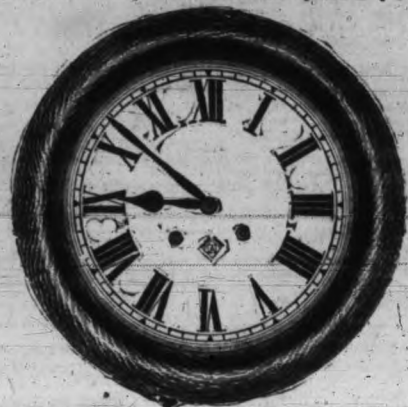
(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, May 11.—The aggregate trade of
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or an increase of \$13,177,066.
Imports show an increase of nearly nine-
teen millions and exports a decrease of
three million and a half greater than last
year. For the month of April there was a
decline in both imports and exports.

DIED AFTER FIGHT.

Johnny Bryant Knocked Insensible in Box-
ing Bout With Negro—His Opponent
Arrested.

(Associated Press.)
Fresno, Cal., May 12.—In a ten-round pre-
liminary bout before the Central California
Athletic Club, Johnny Bryant was poun-
ded into insensibility by Walter Robinson, a
negro, and received injuries from which he
died in a few hours. The fight ended in
the ninth round, in which Bryant was
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Emperor on July 30th, 1899, and Port
Dalny, fully equipped with all modern
improvements, docks, warehouses and
railroad facilities, was opened to com-
merce in December, 1903.

Talienwan bay is one of the finest
deep-water harbors on the Pacific. It
is free from ice in winter time, and
ships drawing 30 feet of water can en-
ter at low tide without difficulty, and
without the aid of pilots, can sail or
steam alongside the immense docks and
piers where their cargoes are loaded.

IMPROBABLE.

It is Reported That Whole of Port
Dalny Has Been Destroyed.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—4.30 p.m.—
Later telegrams received here indicate
that the whole of Port Dalny has been
destroyed by the Russians.

STILL ISOLATED.

Railroad Communication With Port
Arthur Has Not Been Restored.

Tokio, May 11.—8 p.m.—Official in-
quiry shows that Viceroy Alexieff's re-
port that railroad communication with
Port Arthur has been restored since
Monday is untrue.

CLEARING THE ENTRANCE.

Report That Torpedo Boat Destroyers
Are Now Able to Leave Port
Arthur.

New York, May 12.—The World, quoting
the St. Petersburg correspondent of the
London Daily Express, says:
"I learn from official sources that so
far from blowing up their warships,
which would be done only at the very
last extremity, the garrison at Port Ar-
thur is engaged in clearing the entrance
of the harbor, which was more or less
completely blocked by the stone-laden
ships sent in by the Japanese for that
purpose. The task is one of extreme
difficulty, for the merchantmen were
filled with concrete and masses of iron.
In order to remove their obstructions
divers have been sent down with drilling
apparatus to bore holes in the 'cargoes'
for placing dynamite charges in effective
positions. These divers have been at
work several days, and, according to
latest reports, have sufficiently cleared
the channel to admit the passage of tor-
pedo boat destroyers."

NO SIGN OF JAPS.

Officers of Steamers Which Passed Port
Arthur Did Not See Togo's
Fleet.

Cheloo, May 12.—1.30 a.m.—The offi-
cers of steamers arriving from New-
chwang described the story of the de-
struction by Russians of the fleet at Port
Arthur. When the officers passed Port
Arthur last night (Wednesday) they saw
searchlights flashing from the ships and
forts. There were no signs of the Jap-
anese fleet in the vicinity.

The officers further stated that there
were not more than 1,000 Russian sol-
diers at Newchwang. There are only
six light field guns in the forts, all the
big guns having been taken to Liao
Yang.

The opinion prevailed at Newchwang
that the Russians intend restoring New-
chwang, also, the district eastward to
Tasichiao, the junction of the railway,
to China. Col. Mueltke, military ad-
viser to Yuan Shai Kai, viceroy of the
province of Chi Li, is now at New-
chwang, ready to take over the district.
The Russian troops, it is understood,
will remain until the Chinese troops ar-
rive. This is to prevent looting by
brigands.

It is further stated that communica-
tion had not been restored with Port
Arthur when the steamers left New-
chwang. There had not been a train for
a week. The conduct of the Russian
attack on Anju is said to have been ex-
cellent throughout.

RUMOR OF ENGAGEMENT.

Fighting Reported to Be in Progress at
Port Arthur—No Confirmation.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—6.45 p.m.—
Rumors are widely current here that
fighting is in progress at Port Arthur,
but there is no official news confirming

the reports. The Russians still hold
Newchwang.

RUSSIANS HOLD NEWCHWANG.

Major-General Plung Denies the Reports
of Evacuation.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—Major-Gen.
Plung, telegraphing from Mukden, under
today's date, describes the reports that
Newchwang has been evacuated, and
that the troops guarding the railway are
to be withdrawn, and to be replaced by
Chinese, as being devoid of foundation.

IN PERFECT ORDER.

Lloyd's Agent Does Not Anticipate Any
Trouble or Fighting at New-
chwang.

London, May 12.—Lloyd's agent at
Newchwang telegraphs by way of Che-
foo, under the date of May 12th, as fol-
lows:

"Produce is arriving in great quanti-
ties from up the river. A fair amount
of Manchester goods have arrived, but
more would come if a British warship
were here, which would check the trade.
Everything is in perfect order. I do
not anticipate any trouble or fighting in
this vicinity. Great credit is due to
General Kandravich, in command of the
Russian troops, and Civil Adminis-
trator Etzel."

FIERY FIGHTING.

When Reinforcements Reached Anju
the Cossacks Retired, Pursued
By Japs.

Seoul, May 11.—5 p.m.—(Delayed in
transmission.)—Infantry reinforcements
reached the beleaguered Japanese troops
at Anju at 6.30 o'clock on the evening
of May 10th. The garrison had fought
fiercely for 12 hours, the men reserving
their fire until the enemy were at close
range. The Cossacks then retired over
the eastern hill toward Yang Pyang, the
provincial capital, leaving 50 killed
and wounded on the field, and one non-
commissioned officer captured. The Jap-
anese lost four killed and six wounded,
besides one telegraph operator.

The Japanese troops are now in pur-
suit of the enemy, and an engagement
is momentarily expected.
It is supposed that the Cossacks are
part of the body which crossed the head
waters of the Yalu near Chang Song,
and occupied Ching Ja, not knowing of
the disaster which had attended their
arms on the Yalu, continuing to carry
out their orders to harass the enemy
and cut off its communications, which
would now be impossible with even a
much larger force.

THE CASUALTIES.

Japs Lost Ten Killed and Wounded and
the Russians Fifty.

Tokio, May 11.—11 a.m.—Later de-
tails of the Russian attack on Anju last
Tuesday state that the fighting lasted
all day. Japanese reinforcements ar-
rived from Ping Yang at 1 o'clock in the
afternoon. The Russian attack on Wed-
nesday morning with the approach
of further Japanese reinforcements from
Kosen. The Japanese are pursuing the
Russians in the direction of Kai Chong.
The Japanese casualties at Anju were
four killed and six wounded. The Rus-
sian casualties were about 50. A Rus-
sian said the Cossack raiders numbered
500.

OFFICERS KILLED.

Were Killed Off By Japanese Sharp-
shooters During Attack on
Anju.

Seoul, May 12.—The latest reports
show that the Russian force which re-
cently attacked Anju formed part of
Gen. Mandritoff's flying column of 700
Cossacks from Liao Yang. They were
covering 25 miles daily. Prisoners of
this party captured by the Japanese say
the Russians had only 12 days' provi-
sions, that half the men refused to fight,
and that the Japanese sharpshooters
picked off several of the Russian offi-
cers.

MOVING SOUTHWARD.

Japanese Advancing Towards Kichow
—Czar is Anxious to Go to Front.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—Emperor
Nicholas is arranging to go to Khar-
kov on May 23rd to bid farewell to the
tenth army corps upon its departure for the
Far East.

The Associated Press learns from the
highest source that the Emperor is ex-
ceedingly anxious to go to the front. To
his intimates recently he has spoken
much on the subject, but he realizes
that conditions of state demand his
presence at home. Nevertheless it is
now not considered impossible that he
will follow the example of all the
Romanoff dynasty during the past cen-

tury and undergo his baptism of fire. To
fight with an army is one of the tradi-
tions of his house. Alexander I. entered
Paris with the allies after the battle of
Waterloo. Nicholas I. died in a common
soldier's hotel in the Crimea and Alex-
ander II. with the help apparent, was
at the front during the Turkish war.
Perhaps an additional reason why
Emperor Nicholas desires to meet the
enemy is that he carries on his body the
mark of a wound inflicted by a fanatic
Japanese policeman, when he was at-
tacked in a theatre at Otsu, during his
visit to Japan in 1891, only being saved
from death by the noble action of his
cousin, Prince George of Greece.

Should he finally conclude to go His
Majesty would not assume active com-
mand of the troops, but would have an
Imperial headquarters, taking with him
all the members of his military cabinet.
Being at the spot the Emperor would
more easily advise Gen. Kuropatkin in
the event of any question of great mili-
tary moment which he might desire to
submit to His Majesty. But, of course,
the chief advantage would be the
stimulus which the personal presence of
the sovereign would have on the officers
and men.

From the official advices received here,
it is evident that the Japanese are pro-
ceeding very cautiously towards the in-
vestment of Port Arthur. While an in-
terruption of the telegraph and railroad
may again occur at any time, communi-
cation with the fortress was still open
last night.

Advices received by the general staff
show that the invaders, who landed at
Pigewo are marching slowly, on Kin-
chan, which is an advanced position se-
curing the Russian Gharafai, telegraph
line, only a small force to cut the line at
Polandien, thus giving rise to the reports
that they had effected a landing at Port
Arthur. The Russians have occupied
Sishan Bay, on the east side of the Liao
Tung peninsula, opposite Kichow.
showing that they have no intention of
withdrawing further south. On the
contrary conditions point to a stubborn
resistance.

Fock, revealed in the official dispatches,
may show that the garrison of the for-
tress is much stronger than the Rus-
sians desired the enemy to believe. Fock
commands the fourth Siberian rifle divi-
sion of 10,000 men. If the whole divi-
sion is on the Liao Tung peninsula, Gen.
Stoessel has at least 30,000 men at his
disposal, which would render the in-
vestment of Port Arthur extremely difficult,
unless the Japanese bring up three times
that number of troops.

There is talk of the Japanese cutting
off the water supply of Port Arthur, but
this is declared to be impossible, as
condensed sea water is the chief source
of supply, the wells only being kept by
the Chinese.

GRAND DUKE CYRIL.

Will Require Close Attention and Most
Careful Treatment.

St. Petersburg, May 12.—Grand Duke
Cyril's whole nervous system and his
heart are somewhat seriously affected as
the result of his experiences at the time
of the blowing up of the battleship
Petropavlovsk off Port Arthur on April
13th, is the official report of his medical
attendants, who say the Grand Duke
will require the closest attention and
most careful treatment. His cure,
the doctors say, will be a difficult and tel-
lous process.

TAKE OFFENSIVE AGAINST BRITISH

THIBETANS STEADILY BOMBARDING THE CAMP

Natives Are Gathering in Large Num-
bers and the Mission is Practi-
cally Besieged.

(Associated Press.)

Gyangtse, Thibet, May 10.—(Delayed
in transmission.)—The Thibetans have
taken the offensive against the British
mission camp here.

From a fort about 6 furlongs away
they are steadily bombarding the camp
with a half-dozen guns, carrying solid
cannon balls of a pound weight.
Another large gathering of Thibetans
is reported from the Rong valley, and al-
though the British communications in
the rear are still open, the mission is
practically besieged.

Statement in Commons.

London, May 12.—Indian Secretary
Brodrick informed the House of Com-
mons to-day that the government had
decided that recent events in Thibet
made it inevitable that the British mis-
sion must advance to Lhasa, the capital,
unless the Thibetans conceded to ne-
gotiate at Gyangtse, within a given date.
The Chinese ambassador had been both-
fied to this effect. At the same time,
added Mr. Brodrick, the government
does not intend to depart from its policy
regarding Thibet, as previously an-
nounced. All the necessary measures
will be taken to secure the lines of com-
munication.

SPAIN'S NEW WARSHIPS.

(Associated Press.)
Madrid, May 12.—The naval budget pro-
vides for the construction during the com-
ing five years of warships which will cost
\$7,500,000.

ALARMING FIRE AT FORT WILLIAM

C. P. R. ELEVATOR AND
CONTENTS DESTROYED

More Than Five Thousand Dollars of
Money Stolen From Mail Restored
By Bangs

(Associated Press.)

Fort William, May 12.—This morning
about 1.45 the C. P. R. elevator, B, was
discovered on fire and the yard engines
whistled an alarm, soon to be joined by
the town fire bell. There was a strong
wind blowing from the east, which fan-
ned the blaze, and it only took about two
hours time to reduce the large
building to a heap of burning timbers.
The steamers Newmount and Neeling
were near the elevator, but moved to a
safe distance up the river. Elevator B
had a capacity of about a million and a
half bushels, and was a wooden struc-
ture, ironed outside. The town fire-
men worked like demons, and did grand
service to the buildings nearby. The C.
P. R. brigade were also on the scene,
and were of good help. Plate glass
windows were broken in the stores on
Simpson street by the heat, 600 feet
from the elevator. Providence favored
the town, for it rained all the time dur-
ing the fire, and a fierce wind blew the
opposite direction. The Dominion Bank,
Dawson's hardware store, Piper's hard-
ware store, Platt's fancy goods, Hog-
arth's grocery, and Dr. Hamilton's
office and Western block were to be
burned for a time. As the fire fiercely
burned it sounded like the roar of
 Niagara. As stated above, the wind
favored the town, and the people think
they are lucky that the fire happened
on a rainy night. All that remains of
the elevator B is the tall brick chimney
and wrecked walls of the boiler and en-
gine rooms, and also a high heap of
mixed grain, tin sheeting and debris. It
is estimated that there was between
250,000 and 300,000 bushels of grain in
the building, but no official knows ex-
actly the quantity. The firemen are
still playing their hose upon the ruins
and pile of grain. Dawson & Co. lose
about \$1,000 in the loss of tools,
material, etc., in their workshops, and
Fraser & Oakley \$500 in oats, which
they had destroyed in a wooden build-
ing. The Woodhead block had all the
plate glass in the windows by heat, in-
cluding the Dominion Bank. There is
about \$1,000 loss by broken glass in
business buildings. At four this morn-
ing the residence of Mrs. Young caught
fire from a burning ember. It was soon
extinguished by the firemen. It kept
everybody busy protecting their own pri-
vate property from catching from the
dying pieces of fire that were blown by
the wind in a westerly direction of the
town. The citizens were of great as-
sistance to the firemen in their fight to
protect property. The fire tug Dudley
from Port Arthur rendered good service
by being towed over by the Inez, and
throwing a stream of water on the burn-
ing timbers that floated in the river. The
town commissioners have kindly offered
to supply electric energy to work ele-
vator E.

Must Pay License.

Winnipeg, May 12.—A license of \$200
will be required by the council from all
cigarette sellers.

New Building.

Winnipeg, May 12.—Brandon Y. M. C.
A. members will raise \$42,200 for a new
building and furnishings.

Seeking Land.

Winnipeg, May 12.—The local govern-
ment has received an offer of \$3 an acre
for 250,000 acres of the old Winnipeg
& Hudson's Bay railway grant, received
years ago in liquidation for an old claim.
A United States syndicate made the of-
fer.

The Mail Robbery.

Winnipeg, May 12.—Yesterday Dom-
inion Government Detective Cham-
berlain and J. A. Bangs came to Cal-
gary from Regina, where Bangs had
been committed for complicity in the
mail robbery case. When they parted, in
the early morning, Bangs said that the
money which had been taken from the
mails had been hidden in the country,
and that the two would go out and get
it. Chamberlain went down to Bangs's
house in Calgary a little while after,
Bangs produced the money, between
\$5,000 and \$6,000.

VOTED FOR STRIKE.

Decision of Chicago Members of Masters
and Pilots' Association.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, May 12.—Chicago members of
the Masters and Pilots' Association in this
city voted last night declaring almost
unanimously for a strike. Provisional
charters for the shipment of more than
1,500,000 bushels of grain from this port
were cancelled as soon as the result of the
vote was known. All of the grain will be
carried to the Atlantic seaboard by rail.

GOING TO AFRICA.

Prince Joachim Albrecht Will Accompany
Troops to Reinforce the Germans.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, May 12.—The Kolonial-Zeltung
announces that Prince Joachim Albrecht,
second son of Prince Albrecht, of Prussia,
will accompany the next body of reinforce-
ments sent to German Southwest Africa.

TRANSFER OF PULP MILL CONCESSION

AMERICAN CAPITAL
INTERESTED IN DEAL

Seattle People Have Taken Hold of Bella
Coola Project—Have Purchased
the Kootenay.

Another important transfer of pulp
mill property in this province has
taken place within the last few
months. The deal, which has just
been consummated, involves 300 miles
of tidal land, covered by some of
the best timber in British Columbia.
It is situated at Bella Coola, where in
1902 parliament, in order to encourage
the manufacture of pulp, granted a very
large concession to a company, condi-
tionally on an enterprise of the kind
contemplated by the act being started
and fully operated within three years.
The original holders of this concession,
for some reason, never fulfilled the
agreement, but they have succeeded in
interesting capital sufficient, it is be-
lieved, to meet all purposes and to carry
out the project in the immediate future.
The officers of the new company are
Charles H. Baker, president; A. E. Wil-
liams, vice-president, and managing direc-
tor; R. M. Thompson, secretary; J. E.
Hart, attorney, and the First National
Bank of Seattle, treasurer.

The board of directors is made up of
J. H. Baker, president of the Kootenay
Pulp and White River Power Company,
Seattle; A. H. Anderson, Seattle, vice-
president of the Mason County Logging
Company and secretary of the Simkan
Logging Company; A. E. Williams, lum-
berman, Seattle; William G. Tanner,
Seattle, and R. H. Thompson, Tacoma.
The new company will be known as
the Bella Coola Development Company.
It has been incorporated under the laws
of Washington and is registered in British
Columbia. Of course it is not all Ameri-
can capital that is interested. The mem-
bers of the old company still retain an
interest. The capital stock is 1,000,000
shares of \$1 per share, fully paid up and
non-assessable.

Mr. Williams, the manager, arrived
here from Seattle yesterday. He has
purchased for his company the beautiful
little steam launch Kootenay, belonging
to Capt. James Trapp, which he has
run to the gorge in the interests of the
Victoria Tourist Association and which
was brought down here when the new
manager of the C. P. R. coast steam-
ships arrived to take up his residence in
this city. The launch has been acquired,
it is understood, for cruising purposes,
and in such work should prove an ideal
craft on the numerous inland waters on
which her owners' timber concessions
front.

The new concession includes timber
that will scale over two million feet
board measurement of fir, spruce and
cedar. None of this is situated more
than a distance of two miles from water
communication. In addition the com-
pany holds two large water-power loca-
tions on tide water and in the vicinity
of the timber. These aggregate over
20,000 horse-power. One is situated on
Cousins river and the other on New
Cousins river. The company also holds
manufacturing sites, one including 300
square acres and the other 150 acres. It
is proposed to make the timber the most
valuable industrial asset on the coast.
The reservation includes 800,000 acres of
land.

A party of ten timber cruisers and
surveyors will be sent north from here
on the steamer Danube to-night to be-
gin work at once. Mr. Thompson, sec-
retary of the company, will arrive here
on one of the Sound steamers to-night.
He was one of the original holders of
the concessions and is believed to have
been largely instrumental in effecting
the recent transfer. Mr. Williams was
seen this morning by a Times representa-
tive, but did not care to divulge the
company's plans until they have been
more fully matured.

CANADA'S TRADE.

Returns for Ten Months Show Increase of
\$13,177,000 Over Same Period
Last Year.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, May 11.—The aggregate trade of
Canada for the ten months ending with
April was \$374,508,451, compared with
\$361,330,385 for the same time last year,
or an increase of \$13,177,000.
Imports show an increase of nearly nine-
teen millions and exports a decrease of
over five millions. The duty collected was
three million and a half greater than last
year. For the month of April there was a
decline in both imports and exports.

DIED AFTER FIGHT.

Johnny Bryant Knocked Insensible in Box-
ing Bout With Negro—His Opponent
Arrested.

(Associated Press.)

Fresno, Cal., May 12.—In a ten-round pre-
liminary bout before the Central California
Athletic Club, Johnny Bryant was pum-
eled late insensibility by Walter Robinson, a
negro, and received injuries from which he
died in a few hours. The fight ended in
the ninth round, in which Bryant was
floored six times. He seconds had thrown
the sponge into the ring when the blow on
the jaw that rendered Bryant unconscious
was struck. Robinson has been arrested.

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KOUROPATKIN PLAYS A WAITING GAME

WILL NOT TAKE THE OFFENSIVE UNTIL JULY

Russian Cossacks Who Attacked Anju, Korea, Were Repaid by the Japanese Garrison.

St. Petersburg, May 11.—Gen. Kouropatkin has telegraphed to the Emperor that a train loaded with war material from Liao Yang has arrived at Port Arthur. The contents of Gen. Kouropatkin's dispatch are as follows:

"Reconnaissance between Salizai-puda and Feng Huang Cheng failed to discover Japanese troops. A Japanese column of considerable strength advanced from Feng Huang Cheng on May 8th in the direction of Haicheng, Pulancheng station is occupied by our frontier guards, and the damage to the railway by the Japanese is far as Sanichilpu has been repaired. All the work was carried out under the supervision of Lieut.-Col. Spiridonoff, of the fourth railway battalion. This gallant officer undertook to get through to Port Arthur a train full of ammunition, which had arrived at Liao Yang after the landing of the Japanese at Pitsewo. Every preparation was made to blow up the train in case of necessity in order to prevent its falling into the hands of the Japanese. The task was carried out, and the self-sacrifice of the men of the fourth railway battalion was crowned with complete success.

"Shortly after 4 o'clock in the afternoon the train arrived at Jinchuan station, 40 miles from Port Arthur, where it was handed over to Gen. Joffe, who immediately dispatched it under proper protection to Port Arthur. Lieut.-Col. Spiridonoff returned on a locomotive. "After landing at Pitsewo, the Japanese began marching toward Minchuan. On the night of May 10th their forward guard, consisting of about two regiments of infantry, passed the night on the heights above Sanichilpu, on the railroad about 60 miles from Port Arthur.

"About 30 Japanese vessels are lying north of Cape Terminus, on the east coast of the Liao Tung peninsula, below Pitsewo.

The idea that the Russian squadron at Port Arthur is being destroyed to prevent its falling into the hands of the enemy is scouted at by the admiralty, where the statements made by the Associated Press last night are reiterated. "We are not going to repeat the mistake made at Sebastopol," said Vice-Admiral Rojostrensky, commander of the Baltic fleet. "If the worst comes to the worst the squadron will put to sea."

Viceroy Alexieff, in his report to Emperor Nicholas concerning the engagement of April 13th, in which the Petropavlovsk was sunk and the Pobieda was seriously damaged, enumerated the effective squadron at Port Arthur as including the battleships Pobieda, Poltava, Petropavlovsk and Sebastopol, the armored cruiser Bayan, the protected cruisers Askold, Diana and Novik, two torpedo cruisers and five torpedo destroyers. It will, therefore, be seen, that on April 13th, the day after the destruction of the Petropavlovsk, the Russians at Port Arthur had available three battleships, one armored cruiser and three protected cruisers, whereas on February 18th they had seven battleships, one armored cruiser, five protected cruisers and one torpedo transport. The number of torpedo boats or torpedo boat destroyers effective or disabled is not known.

At Vladivostok.

Vladivostok, May 11.—All is quiet here. The enemy has not been sighted. The commander of the defenses has left Vladivostok after carefully reviewing the troops and inspecting the fortifications.

Kouropatkin's Policy.

Paris, May 11.—A dispatch to the Temps from St. Petersburg says Gen. Kouropatkin will not take the offensive until the end of July, as it has been decided to draw the Japanese as far as

possible into the interior of Manchuria.

Russians Repulsed.

Tokio, May 11.—7 p.m.—Details of the attack by Russian Cossacks at Anju, Korea, yesterday morning, were received here today. The Russian cavalry numbered 200 men, and their attack was spirited. The Japanese garrison resisted stoutly, and succeeded in driving off the enemy. Later Japanese reinforcements arrived from Ping Yang.

Indications point to the presence of a Russian force at Yong Byung, between Anju and Unsan, but it probably is small. It is evident that these Russian cavalrymen were sent south for the purpose of harassing the Japanese flanks and lines of communication. The Japanese report of the fighting at Anju is as follows:

Ready for Emergency.

Shanghai, May 11.—The United States cruiser New Orleans, Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling on board, is making hurried preparations to leave here tomorrow for Chefoo. The reason for departure has not been announced here.

Will Not Protest.

Washington, May 11.—The state department has concluded not to make any official protest to the Russian government against the latest utterances of M. Pavloff, Russian minister to Korea, relative to the conduct of the officers of the United States ship Vicksburg toward the survivors of the Yaring and Koraitz. Naval officers here have shown considerable feeling over the criticisms as affecting the honor of the United States navy, and are desirous of having an investigation made as to why the statements were given publication in the Official Messenger, thus stamping them as official. The state department officials, however, are disposed to ignore the incident, one of them explaining that Pavloff's utterances are in a measure pardonable in view of the humiliations which he has suffered in being expelled from Korea. Some of the officers of the Vicksburg have written to their friends here saying that on the morning of the fight the captain of the British warship Talbot made signals with the international code, directed to the French and German warships. The Vicksburg was not signalled, nor was she taken in-

Clerking

Looks more attractive than housework for a woman, but it is also even more exhausting. The work is often done under high pressure, and the brightness of the eyes and the flushed cheeks of the attentive clerk indicate nervousness rather than health. If this is true, if most of the women who are clerks are suffering from nervous diseases, and who endure headache, backache, and other pains day after day?

No sick woman should neglect the means of cure for womanly diseases offered in Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It regulates the periods, dries encumbering drains, heals inflammation and ulceration, and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

"A heart overflowing with gratitude, as well as a sense of duty, urges me to write to you and tell you of my wonderful recovery," says Miss Corine C. Hook, Orangeburg, Orangeburg Co., South Carolina. "By the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription I am entirely a new being compared with the poor miserable sufferer who wrote you four months ago. I remark to my friends and to every day that I am almost an impossibility for medicine to do a person so much good. During the whole summer I could scarcely keep up to walk about the house, and yesterday I walked four miles and felt better from the exercise. I now weigh 125 pounds. Mine was a complicated case of female disease in its worst form."

Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness.

At Vladivostok.

Vladivostok, May 11.—All is quiet here. The enemy has not been sighted. The commander of the defenses has left Vladivostok after carefully reviewing the troops and inspecting the fortifications.

Kouropatkin's Policy.

Paris, May 11.—A dispatch to the Temps from St. Petersburg says Gen. Kouropatkin will not take the offensive until the end of July, as it has been decided to draw the Japanese as far as

to the confidence of the other ships. But the Vicksburg signal man read all of the conversation, and, indeed, Commander Marshall has reported officially some part of the exchanges, to the navy department, particularly that relating to the delivery of the triple protest against the Japanese attack, in which he was not invited to join. Just why the Vicksburg was excluded from the conference by signal is a subject of much speculation here.

CANADIAN DISPATCHES.

Seeding in Manitoba and the Northwest—Montreal Council's Action for Damages.

Winnipeg, May 11.—Reports from 90 points on the lines of the C. P. R. in Manitoba and the Territories indicate that there will be an increase in the seeded area of 12.13 per cent. None of the points reported on show a falling off, though in several of them the area will be the same as last year. The Prince Albert and Manitoba and Northwestern branches show the highest percentage of increase. Seeding has practically been completed in the whole of the districts named and the weather throughout is considered most favorable. In several districts the grain is all sown and is beginning to show above ground. Despite the lateness of the season, the farmers are well pleased with the prospects and are backed up by the records of previous years, which, though the season was equally late, the result at the close of the year was a bumper one. Where seeding has been completed the farmers are busily engaged in getting the land in shape for other crops, and there are indications that the area devoted to coarse grains will be greater than last year by a considerable margin.

Popular Official.

Winnipeg, May 11.—Supt. Brownlee, of the Eastern division of the C. P. R., was presented with a silver service by the railway employees of that division, and with a gold watch and address by the business men at a public meeting in Brandon last night. He has been transferred to the Moose Jaw division.

Montreal Strike.

Montreal, May 11.—Although the striking plumbers, painters and stone cutters declare that they are going to win the strikes they are engaged in, it is becoming apparent that the hope is founded upon a delusion. There is no scarcity of labor for jobbing purposes, and that appears to be about all that is going on in the building line owing to the generally high price of materials and the small number of employees of the Consumers Cordage Company have gone back to work.

Claim Damages.

Montreal, May 11.—The city council has taken action against the Canadian Iron Works for \$20,000 damages for non-removal of an electric pump from the high level pumping station, which the makers agreed would be noiseless. But since its installation the city has been threatened with damages by the residents of the upper section of the city because of the vibration caused by the pump. The company claims the pump is as noiseless as it is possible to make it.

Late Senator's Funeral.

St. John, N.B., May 11.—The funeral of the late Senator Dever took place this afternoon.

Will Visit Coast.

Brandon, Ont., May 11.—The Earl of Stamford, of the Chamberlain Information Commission, is in the city investigating the work being done by the society among the Six Nations Indians. On leaving here he will proceed to British Columbia for further inspection, and will make a study of the Canadian grade questions before returning to England.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Gov. Odell of New York has signed a bill reducing from 2 to 1 per cent, the tax on premiums of insurance companies other than the United States. This is to meet the Canadian rate.

In an explosion at the shaft of the Big Muddy coal and iron company in Pennsylvania, Wednesday, five men were instantly killed, five seriously injured and twenty others slightly injured. Six were exploded, having been killed. It is supposed, by the premature turning on of the electric current, which operates the machinery of the mine.

At Wednesday's session of the convention of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance and Bartenders' International League in Rochester, a resolution giving aid to the St. Louis unions in the strike that threatens the World's Fair city was unanimously passed amid great enthusiasm. It is believed that the strike will start next week, and it is believed that every hotel and restaurant in St. Louis will be tied up.

Reports from the inspectors of apiraries in the New York state agricultural department indicate that the losses among bees during the past winter was nearly 50 per cent. of the colonies. The loss was the greatest where the hives were left unprotected out of doors.

From a reliable source comes news that a contract has been awarded the Newport News Shipbuilding Company for the construction of four submarine boats destined for service with the Japanese navy in the war in the Far East.

Hon. Sidney Fisher, minister of agriculture of Canada, has been elected vice-president of the American Guernsey Cattle Club.

Minnesota will establish a sanitarium to which county commissioners may send, free, indigent persons suffering from indigent consumption.

You can't cure a cough or cold from the outside. You must cure it through the blood.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure

The Lung Tonic

Is the only remedy that will do this. It gets right to the root of the trouble. It is guaranteed to cure.

Price: 50c. S. C. Wells & Co., 215 E. 12th St., N.Y., Toronto, Can.

PORTABLE SCHOOLS WERE CONSIDERED

BY SCHOOL BOARD AT ITS REGULAR SESSION

Would Cost Comparatively Little and Would Relieve Overcrowding—Other Matters.

An important question engaged the attention of the board of school trustees at their regular meeting last evening. It was the advisability of introducing "portable" schools for the relief of the overcrowding in the public schools. An estimate of the cost of one of these buildings was given at \$500, not much more than it would cost to repair a temporary school. Trustee Boggs appeared to favor the establishment of such a school in the Victoria West district. It would, he pointed out, do away with the necessity of renting the Baptist mission, which was giving poor satisfaction. There was no doubt in his opinion that the citizens of Victoria would, some time in the near future, "awaken from their lethargy" and vote for a by-law providing a permanent ward school for Victoria West. In the meantime, a movable building would fill the requirements, and when a permanent structure was decided upon the former could be taken to some of the outlying districts. The matter was deferred for future consideration.

Chairman J. J. Jenkins, Boggs, Lewis, Hargrett, Mowat and Dr. Hall, after the minutes had been read by the city superintendent and adopted, the usual budget of communications were dealt with.

Miss Stone applied for permission to canvass the Girls' Central and other public schools for pupils for classes in education. She also asked, in the event of a class being formed, for the use of a room after the regular school hours. This was followed by some discussion, and it was finally decided that the letter was received and filed.

In a communication from E. B. Paul, principal of the High school, the board was informed that the sum of \$20 had been handed to him by Miss Lillian Mowat, in behalf of the pupils of the school, as the proceeds of a recent entertainment. It had been recommended that the funds be applied to the purchase of books of reference to be used in connection with the English department of the school. This was received and filed, and the students received the congratulations of the trustees.

The janitor of the High school wrote notifying the board that he had taken charge of the lawn in accordance with instructions. As this entailed considerable extra labor and some expense he again requested an increase of salary. Consideration of this communication was deferred until midsummer.

Trustee Boggs submitted a report from the plumbing and sewerage inspector, who had visited the Victoria West school, recommending a number of improvements. It was referred to the buildings and grounds committee.

A report was received from the finance committee, enclosing bills to the amount of \$529, which were approved. After the detailed expenditure had been read, Trustee Lewis asked for an explanation of a bill of some five or six dollars to R. Porter & Sons, remarking that the Central school was not a boarding school.

Trustee Mrs. Jenkins pointed out that a domestic school could not be operated unless something was supplied to the students for cooking purposes. The total expenditure for the purchase of food for the department would not exceed \$125. The school was run as economically as possible.

The report was then adopted unanimously. Trustee Boggs submitted a report from the buildings and grounds committee as follows:

The tender for "Boggers" has been awarded by us to Messrs. Stephen & Hawking, of Port Street, the lowest tenderer. The sum of \$808, the work to be done to the approval of Architect Woodgate.

In reply to the advertisement for buildings for school purposes there were offered two buildings, both of which were deemed unsuitable and could only have been used after the expenditure of more money than the repairs would allow.

We therefore consider that the only solution of the difficulty of overcrowding at the Central school is to use the assembly room in the South Park school or the vacant room in the High school until such time as the scholars attending the Rock Bay school can be moved to a more suitable building, when all these pupils may be transferred to that building, thus giving more space in the Central school. We recommend that the change be made at midsummer.

Your committee having gone into the question of movable school buildings, beg to advise that a movable school building 25 by 30 feet secured at a cost not exceeding \$500 and erected on the Victoria West grounds, and that the Baptist Mission now in use be given up at as early a date as possible, thus saving at least \$120 per year. This building can afterwards be moved to the Oaklands, Oak Bay, or other points where required.

Architect Woodgate has proposed plans and secured tenders for the work of converting the Kingston street school with the sewer, and we recommend that the tender of G. Silver for \$75 be accepted and the work proceeded with.

voted to erect a fence at the rear of the Hillside school.

In explanation of the report Trustee Boggs stated that there were not sufficient funds available for repairing temporary buildings. Only \$2,500 had been placed at the disposal of the committee, compared to \$4,500 last year. Of this sum \$800 had already been expended, and about \$200 liabilities were incurred. The overcrowding could easily be relieved by the use of the South Park school. There was no reason why the Chinese pupils should not, if necessary, be transferred to James Bay.

Trustee Hall suggested an amendment to this clause, providing for the setting aside of a room in the High school for use in case of an unusual influx of students after the summer vacation. This was agreed to.

During the discussion on the establishment of "portable" schools, Mr. Norton, of Seattle, who is interested in the project, was introduced. He addressed the board briefly, outlining the construction of the buildings mentioned. The room was 25 by 31 feet in size, was placed upon a firm foundation, and could be taken to pieces and moved in case of emergency in four hours. They were warm in winter and cool in summer. Such schools had been established in most American cities of importance, and had become very popular. He had only recently closed a contract for a number of schools for the Atlin district. As far as he could estimate local conditions, the total cost of a complete portable school would be \$500. All material would be purchased in Victoria, and local labor employed exclusively.

After Mr. Norton had withdrawn, it was decided to defer this matter for several weeks. It was considered that all the trustees should have an opportunity of considering the subject.

Other clauses of the report were then considered, after which it was adopted unanimously.

A MAN HATES HIMSELF

When he wakes up with headache and bad taste in the mouth. Something is needed to settle the stomach, clear away the bad heavy feeling and create a little appetite. Just get a tumbler of water, some sugar, and pour in a stiff dose of Nervine. You'll pick up immediately and feel tip-top in a few minutes. Nervine hasn't an equal for a condition of this kind. It stimulates, cures the headache, relieves the sick feeling and fits you for a day's work. Try Nervine. Large bottles cost 50c.

In Brazil there has been discovered a plant which possesses luminous properties. During the night it emits rays of light of sufficient strength to permit a newspaper to be read. This luminous property lasts for three days after the plant has been cut. The plant is in the vegetable cryptogam order.

Mrs. Whitstone, the West's Bromwich widow whose breach of promise case resulted in one farthing damages, has now in her tobaccoist's shop window a poster, which says: "Try our brand of promise cigars," by the side of which is displayed the victorious farthing.

WANTED-FEMALE HELP. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED-Young lady assistant, at the Skeene Lowe Studio.

WANTED-MALE OR FEMALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED-Agents, ladies or gentlemen, to sell hair tonic. Address "Jamieson," Times Office.

WANTED-MISCELLANEOUS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED-Photo-Engraving work from all parts of the province; satisfaction guaranteed; send for samples. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 25 Broad street, Victoria.

TO JOB PRINTERS. Our artists are now making cover designs, sketches, etc., for the best catalogue work produced in the West. Send your ideas, and outline sketches will be furnished without charge. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., Victoria.

WANTED-Chimney sweeping, no mess, from 50c; smoky chimneys cured. Tel. 498, or 4 Broad street.

WANTED-We have continual inquiries for Vancouver Island farm lands. If you possess land for sale write us at once giving full particulars, and we will sell it for you if it can be sold. Helstern & Co., Victoria, B. C.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, should consult us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and all kinds of illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 25 Broad street, Victoria.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

TO LET. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

SIX ROOMED COTTAGE. Modern conveniences, new chicken plant, nearly an acre of land, on Foul Bay road, between 2 lines of cars, for lease or sale. Apply within. J. L. Atkinson.

TO LET-Summer cottage, near Strathcona hotel, Shawigan Lake. Apply to M. A. Wythe, Times Office.

TO LET-Furnished housekeeping rooms, with kitchen and bath; suitable for married couple or two gentlemen. 120 Vancouver street.

TO LET-Comfortable house, close to town; rent \$14; modern conveniences. Apply at 23 Rae street.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS TO LET. Single or on suite; cheapest in city; across from Dominion Hotel, 120 Yates street.

FOR SALE-MISCELLANEOUS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

\$10 WILL BUY a well bred English setter dog, one year old. D. C. McDowell, 94 Superior street.

BARGAINS in all kinds of second-hand furniture, cooking and oil stoves, 12 doz. of almost new flags for decorating, and tents, at the Old Curiosity Shop, corner of Bligh and Bligh streets. Pierce O'Connor.

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LAND FOR SALE. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE-Good farming lands on Salt Spring Island. Apply to F. J. Bittan-court, auctioneer and commission agent, Office, 25 Blanchard street. Phone 8314.

FOR SALE-At a sacrifice, section 24, Goldstream District, 105 acres of land, suitable for stock or chicken raising; must be sold. Write, making an offer, to Box 514, Vancouver, B. C.

FOR SALE-At less than cost of improvement, 125 Highland District; first-class frame dwelling, with stable and other outbuildings, about 50 fruit trees belonging to bear; make fine chicken ranch; good road; \$1,000; terms. Apply Times office.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

BOARD AND ROOMS. Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

ROOM AND BOARD with private family, 73 Blanchard street, between Pandora and Johnson streets. Reasonable terms.

TENDERS. TO CONTRACTORS-Tenders wanted by the Women's Christian Temperance Union for the building of a Provincial Home. Plans and specifications may be seen at the W. C. T. U. Headquarters, 108 Cornsant street, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. Tenders will be opened on Saturday, May 14th, at 7 p. m. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. THOMAS CATERALL-16 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

CONTRACTORS. ESTIMATES GIVEN on moving buildings; work carefully done at reasonable prices. Johnson & Co., 111 North Pembroke St.

CARPENTERS, DICKSON & HOWES. 131 to 135 Johnson street. Grims's Blue, manufacturers of show cases and store fixtures in hard and soft wood; designs and estimates furnished.

CLEANING WORKS. OSTRICH FEATHERS cleaned, dyed and curled at 107 John street.

GEN'S CLOTHES cleaned, pressed, repaired or altered, at 136 Yates street, opposite Dominion Hotel. All work guaranteed. James Dugan.

PRACTICAL CLEANING AND PRESSING WORKS. Lace Curtains and Blankets a specialty. Paul's, 165 Douglas street. Phone 1012.

CEMENT WORK. SLATE AND GRAVEL ROOFING, cement sidewalks laid, etc. John Bell. Leave orders at Nicholas' Renout.

COFFEE AND SPICES. VICTORIA COFFEE AND SPICE MILLS-Office and mill, 148 Government street. A. J. Morley, proprietor.

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU. EMPLOYMENT BUREAU-J. Devereux, 1 Richardson street.

EDUCATIONAL. SHORTHAND SCHOOL-15 Broad street. Special attention given to bookkeeping. Thorough instruction in bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting. E. A. Macmillan, principal.

ART SCHOOL-53 Douglas street, cor. of Fort. All subjects, including wood carving and mechanical drawing. Marindale, master. Private lessons given.

ENGRAVERS. TO ADVERTISERS-We make cuts which enhance the effectiveness of your advertisements. We are experienced and successful as effective as illustrations. From \$2 upwards, according to size. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co.

FISHING. FISHING SEASON IS NOW ON, and fishermen going to Shawigan will save time by getting off at the 25-Mile Post, where Julius Barron will be found with plenty of boats right on the fishing grounds.

HALF TONES. OUR HALF-TONE CUTS in copper are unequalled by the biggest Eastern firms. Send a trial order to the B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 25 Broad street, Victoria.

MACHINISTS. L. HAPER, General Machinist, No. 120 Government street. Tel. 630.

NURSE. MRS. GALE, nurse, 7 Amelia street. Phone 808.

PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS. A. & W. WILSON, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, Bell Hangers and Tinsmiths; Dealers in the best descriptions of Heating and Cooking Stoves, Ranges, etc.; shipping supplied at lowest rates. Broad street, Victoria, B. C. Telephone call 120.

PIRENOLOGY. PROF. JAMIESON, of India, renowned phrenologist and occult scientist, has removed from Royal Hotel to 111 Pandora street, corner of Quadra street. He can be consulted daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.

POTTERY WARE. SEWER PIPE, FIELD TILE, GROUND FIRE CLAY, FLOWER POTS, ETC. B. C. POTTERY CO., LIMITED, CORNER BROAD AND PANDORA STREETS, VICTORIA.

RENOVATING. B. C. STEAM DYE WORKS, 141 Yates street. Largest dyeing and cleaning establishment in the province. Country orders collected. Tel. 800.

UNDERTAKING. W. J. HANNA, Graduate U. S. College of Embalming, New York, 102 Douglas street. Office telephone, 408. Residence telephone, 611.

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Seed Peas

And All kinds of field seeds.

McDowell & Rosie

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And will be pleased to receive all their old customers at the new stand.

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METERS.

The citizens of San Francisco, Tacoma, Seattle, Port Townsend, and no doubt of many other places, are just now discussing the question of municipal adornment. They have set themselves to the task of making their cities beautiful. In not one of them has a suggestion of measuring out water by the gallon been made. There seems to be practical unanimity of opinion that green lawns and flower gardens constitute the chief attractions of the Pacific coast cities. Magnificent specimens of architectural art can be seen in almost any place of pretensions, but the climate of this coast is specially fitted for the creation of attractive gardens. The soil upon which Victoria is built is naturally fertile. The rainfall here is lighter than the annual precipitation in any of the surrounding cities. These are all indisputable facts. We ask the city council of Victoria to carefully consider what the result will be if it persists in the avowed policy of metering the whole city. It is all very well at present to talk about the maximum allowance. If the services were all metered the maximum system would not be permitted to continue for a year. It is such an absurd and illogical method that it would be intolerable. If meters are to be adopted generally consumers must pay by the gallon. The inequalities of the system at present, if they were all pointed out, would create unlimited diversion. Multiplied by the whole number of services they would not be permitted to continue for a day. For these reasons we believe the aldermen will perceive the necessity for a thorough inquiry before proceeding further with the policy recommended by the commission.

THE HEALING ART.

Scientific men are performing some marvellous feats of healing. We suspect that occasionally they make a slip and say nothing to the public, which is apt to be censorious about such trifles as the life of a fellow-creature. The masses in their blindness make no allowance for the operation of truth, which tells them that the welfare of the species is everything and the life of the individual nothing. Which leads us up to the point. A man in New Orleans had his arm shattered by a charge of birdshot. The physician who was called was evidently a man fresh from the most up-to-date academies. Instead of adopting the honored, orthodox and popular method of sawing off the mutilated member, he saved it, the dispatch says, "by forcing it into his stomach for nourishment." We are not favored with details as to the manner of carrying out this remarkable operation. There is the bald statement of fact that the mutilated arm was forced into the stomach and kept there until it was healed. We can easily believe the further statement that the operation ranks among the most skillful surgical feats performed at the New Orleans Charity Hospital. By nourishing the arm in the abdominal region, the torn ligaments became reunited, a complete new skin grew, and after the parts had grown sufficiently the arm was removed from the stomach almost intact. By this time the patient is probably in full use of his arm and returning thanks for the remarkable advancements made in the healing art within the last few years.

A DISINTERESTED CRITIC?

The Opposition in the House of Commons is greatly distressed in mind at the apparent disregard for the interests of the country the government is displaying in its treatment of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company. Mr. Osler, a director of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is especially troubled in spirit at the indifference of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues. The member for Toronto, we notice, has moved that the new company shall not be permitted to charge higher rates to the seaboard than the old one. The meaning of this resolution is not clear. We presume it does mean something. It is perhaps intended to impress the country with the fact that the Conservative party is jealous of the welfare of the people of Canada. It is a pity that party did not apprehend its responsibilities sooner. If it had the people of Canada through their government would have had control of instead of being permanently prohibited from interfering with the freight rates of the C. P. R. They will have absolute power over the transportation charges of the G. T. P. There is no ten per cent. exemption clause in the agreement made on behalf of the people by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Possibly the thought that the rates made by the new line will compel reductions by the old one adds to the earnestness of the representatives of the C. P. R. in the House of Commons.

Nor is the C. P. R. the only railway company the zealous Osler is connected with and has profited by. His assiduity in the cause of the people tempted a brother member to say some things in proof of his contention that the member



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GARDEN TOOLS, LAWN MOWERS, GARDEN HOSE, BARROWS, GALVANIZED POULTRY NETTING, ETC., IRON, STEEL, PIPE AND FITTINGS, ETC.,

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Superior Lime Fruit Juice
20 CENTS BOTTLE

2 DAYS' SALE

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has at times taken good care of the interests of number one. Mr. Walter Scott, a modest newspaper man from

The Tories of Toronto want the editor of the Toronto Globe committed to gaol for comparing the case of North Borneo

assaults of Mr. Osler, quoted a few extracts from the history of the Regina & Long Lake Railway. This road is two hundred and fifty-five miles in length. Its actual cost was six and a half million dollars. It was subsidized by Conservative governments to the extent of twenty-two millions. Mr. Scott charged that Mr. Osler financed that profitable undertaking and is yet heavily interested in it. Perhaps if equal opportunities had been afforded enterprising and wide-awake capitalists in the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme the member from Toronto might have adopted a more friendly attitude. But the new line will be capitalized at its actual cost and it will compete with lines in which Mr. Osler is interested. The longer the embargo can be kept on the better for Mr. Osler and the worse for the country. Also the country will later pass judgment on the case as presented by the Opposition and as opposed to the cause of the government.

"Lamb chops and tomato sauce." Vancouver aldermen have made the astounding discovery that prisoners in the city gaol are being fed on celery, tomatoes, onions and fresh eggs! What would the immortal Sergeant Buxton say to that? Inquiries will be made at Victoria, New Westminster, Winnipeg, Toronto and other places for the purpose of finding out whether there are any precedents for such extravagance. It is understood that a consultation will also be held with leading representatives of the Scottish race in Canada in order to set at rest any doubt as to whether an insult to their nationality is implied by placing oatmeal on the bill of fare. Why not refer these weighty matters en bloc to Hon. Charles Wilson, K. C., Attorney-General, etc.? He has a happy faculty of mixing things up and creating subjects for discussion, which is evidently all that is desired by the representatives of the neighboring city.

The situation of the British expedition in Tibet seems to be exceedingly perilous. It is going to be no easy task to draw that Mongolian badger. But out he must come. Our friends in the United States are quite free in their criticism of the British, as usual. Suppose Cuba refused to abide by her treaty obligations and that the peace and safety of the strategic colony of Puerto Rico were threatened in consequence, would the government hesitate to remonstrate? If remonstrances were fruitless, would no further action be taken? Certainly there is neither glory nor honor nor satisfaction to be gained in warring with the semi-barbarous hordes of Tibet. But apart altogether from that, the country will have to be opened up to civilization and commerce some day. The task will not be accomplished without the shedding of blood. It is simply a case of a more remote China.

The Russians claim to have communication by rail with Port Arthur. The Japanese deny the Russian story. The public must be the judge as to which of the authorities is the more reliable. The Japs have hitherto approximated much nearer the truth in all their stories than the other fellows. In view of the situation in the peninsula, we are inclined personally to believe the Asiatics.

which the party was concerned. It will be remembered that the "organizers" camped in the constituency for several months and carefully prepared it for the contest. They have confessed to the expenditure of more than seven thousand dollars in their efforts to keep the district "pure and undefiled." What the actual expenses were the trial of the case will probably reveal. The matter is interesting chiefly because it proves that there are things of which even the Tory party is ashamed.

"Kirkpatrick, jurist and joker, is dead." Such is the announcement in a New York newspaper. Judge Kirkpatrick "dispensed" justice in the New Jersey courts for many years. He was addicted to the practice of mingling jokes with justice, but was nevertheless very highly respected and deeply beloved by the bar and the public. Although personally of a frolicsome bent of mind, Judge Kirkpatrick effectually upheld the dignity of the bench. And he never wore a wig.

THE QUEEN OF QUEENS.

S. E. Kiser.
States rise and fall; the sceptred kings
Arrayed in royal robes to-day
Must pass with other earthly things.
Their name shall fade, their thrones
decay.
But one proud queen will always reign
And claim allegiance everywhere.
Her realm is all of men's domains.
Her throne the peaceful rocking chair.

Her prince's head lies on her breast.
Her crown is joy, her sceptre love;
She reigns by right divine, expressed
Directly to her from above.
Though kings must pass, though nations
wane,
The glad young mother, proud and fair,
While men are men shall sweetly reign,
Enthroned upon the rocking chair.

THE ECLIPSE OF MR. TAITE.

Ottawa Journal.
"Lost, or dropped out of sight, a little man, intensely patriotic, somewhat erratic, of immense activity, known as 'Tait,' is being by a frank letter to R. L. Borden, Canada."

GIVE MISERY THE COLD SHOULDER.

Atlanta Constitution.
Never mind whether or no misery likes company. When you see him hanging his hat up and feeling around for a chair all you have to do is tell him it's your day to go A-huh! and you're only three minutes to catch a train and get the jug filled.

24th of May
Celebration

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Bargain No. 1

An important sale in itself.

\$10.00 and \$12.50
Suits, for \$6.90

One of our well-known sale of Men's Stylish Suits. Yesterday we received our Summer Stock of Spring Suits, and to make our stock of tweed suits a bit lighter, ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN SUITS have been picked out to be sold.

Friday and Saturday as follows:
15 Blue Worsted Suits; single and double breasted. Regular price \$10.00.

12 Fancy Check Tweed Suits. Regular price \$10.00.

7 Blue and Black Cloth Suits, with light stripe. Regular price \$10.00.

10 Fawn and Grey Check Tweed Suits. Regular price \$12.50.

13 Brown and Grey Fancy Worsted Suits. Regular price \$12.50.

ALL AT \$6.90 SUIT.

11 Imported Tweed Effects. Regular price \$12.50.

40 suits of various kinds; small quantities in each lot, but all sizes in the lot.

117 Suits in all. Friday and Saturday, \$6.90 suit.

Bargain No. 2

CURTAINS AT HALF PRICE.

4 pairs Swiss Curtains; were \$9.00, for \$4.50.

6 pairs Swiss Curtains; were \$5.75, for \$2.85.

3 pairs Swiss Curtains; were \$8.50, for \$4.25.

6 pairs Swiss Curtains; were \$4.50, for \$2.25.

1 pair Brussels Lace Curtains; were \$25.00, for \$12.50.

4 pairs Ivory Arab Curtains; were \$12.50, for \$6.25.

1 pair-Battenberg Curtains; were \$35.00, for \$17.50.

Bargain No. 3

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 25c.

50c, 75c, 90c, \$1.35 per pair.

You save one-third on this offering. Only 18 pairs of each kind.

Bargain No. 4

FINE NET CURTAINS.

6 pair; were \$17.50, for \$9.75.

5 pair; were \$9.75, for \$4.85.

Bargain No. 5

Hearth Rugs (Melton) Size, 2 ft. 6 in. x 6 ft. Regular \$7.50, Friday \$4.75.

Bargain No. 6

Were \$10.00 Matting; all linen warp, reversible. Friday, \$7.50 roll of 40 yards.

Bargain No. 7

Remnants of Oilcloths and Linoleums marked at a saving of 25 to 50 per cent, according to length.

Bargain No. 8

Oak Rocking Chairs, Regular \$17.50, Friday \$9.75.

These chairs are upholstered in the cotton, and you have your choice of material, which will be extra.

Bargain No. 9

25c, 35c and 40c Stockings, Friday 15c pair.

We will clear out the "Black Cat Brand" on Friday. Sizes in fine ribs, 9/16 to 9/8 inches.

Bargain No. 10

\$2.50 Jerseys for \$1.40

Men's Navy Jersey Sweaters; large and medium sizes; the finest English make we have had. Friday \$1.40

BARGAIN NO. 11

Boys' Sweaters; plain colors with striped collar. Regular price 85c, Friday 50c.

BARGAIN NO. 12

GOLF HOSE FOR MEN.

75c Hose, Friday 50c.

\$1.00 Hose, Friday 75c.

BARGAIN NO. 13

Men's Fine Maco Cotton Socks, Friday 2 pair for 25c.

BARGAIN NO. 14

Ribbed Cashmere Socks (samples) 25c, 40c and 50c qualities. Friday, pair 25c.

BARGAIN NO. 15

60 pair Dongola Kid Oxfords; light sole. Regular \$1.75, Friday \$1.35.

BARGAIN NO. 16

Welby Shape Oxfords, Regular \$1.85, Friday \$1.35.

BARGAIN NO. 17

Boys' Box Calf Shoes; \$2.00 Kinda. Friday \$1.65.

Bargain No. 18

KITCHEN APRONS.

Gingham, small checks, with and without border. Friday each 15c.

Bargain No. 19

BLACK SATEN UNDER-SKIRTS.

28 in number; the \$2.50 value. Deep flounce trimmed, 18 double-stitched bands; also extra frill and dust-frill. Friday \$1.50.

Bargain No. 20

Stafford's New Black Ink; 3-oz. bottle, Regular 5c, Friday, two for 5c.

Bargain No. 21

Story Books for Boys and Girls, 50 Happy Hour and Sunny Stories, Regular 40c, Friday 15c.

Bargain No. 22

Silurian Blue Note Paper and Envelopes, Regular 10c, Friday, 5c per quire; Envelopes 5c per pack.

Bargain No. 23

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Pure Linen, 20 dozen at \$4.50 per dozen, Friday, per doz. \$1.75.

Bargain No. 24

Fifty-eight Basket-weave Waists; blue and white, black and white and red and white stripes. Regular \$1.50, Friday, each \$1.00.

Sizes 32 to 38.

Bargain No. 25

Eighteen Grass Linen Waists, embroidered silk fronts. Regular \$2.50, Friday \$1.00.

Sizes 32 to 38.

BARGAIN NO. 26

Twenty-four Grass Linen Waists, embroidered black and white. Regular \$3.00, Friday \$1.50.

Bargain No. 27

SOAPS.

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet; large size, per cake 25c.

Small size, per cake 15c.

Bargain No. 28

Government Bond Writing Tablets, with 24 envelopes. Regular 35c, Friday 15c.

Bargain No. 29

Jardine's with stands at just half.

\$35.00 ones for \$17.50.

\$25.00 ones for \$12.50.

\$15.00 ones for \$ 7.50.

\$10.00 ones for \$ 5.00.

\$ 7.50 ones for \$ 3.75.

Bargain No. 30

5-piece Toilet Sets; value \$2.00, Friday \$1.50.

Bargain No. 31

Feather Pillows; \$1.50 value. Friday \$1.00.

Bargain No. 32

Deerskin Rugs, lined with red and green-felt. Friday, complete \$2.75.

Bargain No. 33

Goatskin Rugs, lined with felt. Friday \$3.50.

Bargain No. 34

NECKWEAR.

25 Fancy Collars, silk and lace effects. Prices \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00. Friday \$1.00.

Bargain No. 35

Collars ready to work; patterns stamped on lined and basket cloth. 10c. ones, Friday 5c.

20c. ones, Friday 10c.

Bargain No. 36

BRUSH BINDING.

(For Skirts.)

The 8c. quality, all colors; Friday, yard 5c.

Bargain No. 37

Colgate's Violet Toe Powder; tin 20c.

Bargain No. 38

Colgate's Dental Powder, 20c. tin.

Bargain No. 39

Colgate's Face Powders, 20c. box.

Bargain No. 40

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet Toe Powder, tin 20c.

Bargain No. 41

600 yards, of 25c and 35c Ribbons for, yard 15c.

Fancy Silk Neck Ribbons.

Bargain No. 42

10 pieces of Fancy Tweed; 44 inches wide. Regular \$1.15 and \$1.25 Friday 75c.

Bargain No. 43

20 pieces Vailing. Regular 35c and 50c. Friday 25c.

Bargain No. 44

New Trimmings, all short lengths. Market half price Friday.

Bargain No. 45

500 yards of White Swiss Muslin. Friday, yard 10c.

Bargain No. 46

Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, Regular price 25c, Friday 15c.

Initials E, T, H, A, G, B, D.

Bargain No. 47

75c. Handkerchiefs for 35c.

Fine Silk, Initial, Hemstitched Handkerchiefs for men. Broken lots are always cleared out at very low prices.

Bargain No. 48

Children's Hemstitched Silk Initial Handkerchiefs. Friday 5c.

Bargain No. 49

\$1.25 Kid Gloves for 85c.

Colors white, black, tan and gray; sizes 6, 6 1/2, 6 3/4, 7, 7 1/4, 7 1/2.

Bargain No. 50

Koh-I-Noor Bistell Graphite Drawing Pencils, yellow polished. Friday, dozen \$1.00.

Many sales of importance are in progress this week. The Costume Sale, Lace Sale, Dress Goods Sale and Sale of Wash Goods. Plenty of these goods left to interest many people To-day, Friday and Saturday.

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Hear J. B. Osborn, the blind orator, on "The Class War in Colorado."

World's Fair—Excursion rates: May 11th, 12th and 13th. Great Northern railway ticket office, 75 Government street.

The Royal Bank has opened a branch in Cumberland under the management of Mr. Van Cramer, with J. A. Logan assistant.

If you are going to the St. Louis exposition take the Northern Pacific railway, the only line operating through tourist and Pullman sleepers. No change of cars.

The County Court was to have sat today, but it has been found necessary to postpone the sitting until Monday next at 10 o'clock. Judge Harrison is expected to conduct the court.

The preliminary meeting in connection with the Labor Day celebration was held last evening in Labor hall. Various matters were discussed and the committee agreed to hold the celebration in a most fitting manner.

News comes from Dawson of the death of Silas Campbell, a veteran Klondiker, who was killed in a drift on Quartz creek through a fall of dirt. He belonged to Port Blakeley, was 50 years old and unmarried.

Early excursion to Seattle. Tickets good going on steamer Whatcom, Friday and Saturday, at 8 p.m., or on Rosalie, Sunday, at 9 a.m. Returning, leave Seattle, Sunday, at 8 p.m., or Monday at 9 a.m. \$2.00 for round trip.

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W. H. Clarke, of the Royal Dairy reports a brisk demand for the high quality of ice cream carried by him, particularly since the advent of the hot weather. His family trade is particularly good, as he is able to supply the cream, fruit, blocks, etc., packed in ice, and in a form that it will keep for hours.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Y.M.C.A., held last evening, Dr. A. E. Bolton was elected president of the association. R. W. Clark having resigned on account of his new business connections keeping him away from Victoria. A special resolution was passed thanking the Ladies' Auxiliary for their hearty and practical voluntary support during the winter season.

Geo. Smith, the well-known tobaccoist, who has for several years conducted a cigar and next to Fullerton's, has purchased the cigar business in the old post office building. Government street, from Simon, Leiser & Co. Associated with Mr. Smith in the enterprise is J. A. Worthington. Both young men are well-known and popular. Mr. Smith's stand having been the hub for baseball boys for a long time. The new firm intend stocking their fine new stand with the best brands of tobacco and cigars, and will be pleased to see their former patrons at the well known stand.

E. P. Adams and J. M. Morgan, of Indianapolis, two mining men, have returned from a month's prospecting trip up the coast, says the Nanaimo Free Press. They were seeking not gold, silver or copper, but precious stones—garnets in particular. As a result of their trip they have located what they believe is a rich garnet bearing ledge. Mr. Morgan exhibited some garnets as large as a medium-sized plum, while others were about the size of a marble. A portion of the schist in which they were embedded was also brought down. This was fairly studded with the deep crimson stones. Mr. Adams located the ledge last year, but did not have time to prospect it.

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Monkey Brand Soap makes copper like gold, tin like silver, crockery like marble, and windows like crystal.

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R. M. Palmer, commissioner of freight rates, is in the Okanagan making arrangements for the representative of that splendid fruit growing district at the Dominion Exhibition at Winnipeg. The display will be as varied as possible.

The poundkeeper has been nothing if not vigilant of late, the canine animals, including some very valuable dogs. Owners of missing dogs might find their property by visiting the pound.

It is expected that the government may soon make an announcement of policy with respect to the coal and oil lands of Southeast Kootenay. It is under consideration at the present time. Representatives of those interested are also pressing for an early answer as to their claims.

The Veterans' Association of Vancouver Island held a well-attended meeting in Pioneer hall last evening, when it was decided to attend the funeral of the late Capt. Richardson individually. In view of the intimation that the obsequies would be private. The funeral is taking place this afternoon.

The "At Home" to-night, under the auspices of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., promises to be a decided success. A choice programme, good music and prepared floor should go far to make the evening enjoyable. All Odd Fellows and their friends, especially the ladies, will be made welcome.

Fire, Life, Marine and Accident Agency, Travelers' Life and Accident Insurance Company, Tickets 25c, a day. Lowest rates for marine insurance on hulls or cargo. Agency, Lloyd's underwriters. Office, Wellington Coal; agency, Atlantic S.S. lines. Hall-Gospe Co., 100 Government St. Tel. call 83.

Herbert Cuthbert, secretary of the Tourist Association, is testing the advantages to be derived from glass bottomed boats at Oak Bay. He is delighted with the test so far conducted, and is satisfied that such boats would be a decided attraction not only to visitors but for residents of the city.

"McFadden's Row of Flats," which will be the offering at the Victoria theatre this evening, was written by E. W. Townsend and Glen MacDonough. In the company this season are such well-known people as the Exposition Four, Belle Gold, the Yellow Kids, Ada Boshell, May Baker, Libby Hart, Joe Willard, Brett Reid, Jerry Sullivan, Walker Brannette and Teddy Simmonds.

Lieut.-Col. Friedrich will conduct special meetings at the Salvation Army hall on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, May 14th, 15th and 16th. The colonel will be accompanied by Adjutants Smith, Thorkildson and Gosling, also a party of Indian Salvationists on their way to England for the international congress, at which there will be 100,000 Salvationists collected from all parts of the world.

The charge against Fred Perrette, the young man who was arrested by Chief of Police Langley and Detective Perdue the other day, is of raising a cheque from \$50 to \$250. The complainants are a grain firm of Swan Lake, Manitoba. Chief of Police Elliott, of Winnipeg, is now en route to the coast to take back the prisoner. Perrette denies that he has been guilty of wrong-doing and insists that somebody has made a mistake.

A well-attended meeting of the newly organized Honing Association was held last evening at the offices of J. J. Martin, Langley street, when the question of compiling a constitution and by-laws was discussed. It was finally decided to leave the matter in the hands of a committee comprising President Roland Machin, Secretary Lemm and Mr. Hammond. Regulations will be drafted immediately and a report made to a meeting to be held at an early date. Among those present were a number of enthusiastic pigeon fanciers—and it is probable that there will be some keen competition between local birds during the summer months.

—Mrs. Campbell, scalp specialist, 161 Fort.

The future of the trade union movement to-night, A. O. U. W. hall, by J. B. Osborn.

We have several odd typewriters at prices from \$20. These are snaps. Hinton Electric Co.

Buy Ramsey's Empire Cream Sodas at Eskine's; extra good value, best quality. Only 25c per tin.

Steamer Princess Victoria left Vancouver on time this afternoon, after connecting with the train from the East.

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A big lot of sofa cushions in all sizes, in many qualities, and at right prices. A grand new line of cushion cordings at 12c per yard. Weller Bros.

Dr. Jamieson, of India, will give another of his lectures Sunday night in Labor hall at 8 p.m. Subject: "In-Jarmony in Marriages and Causes." For adults only.

During the session of the Victoria Teachers' Institute to be held tomorrow in Y. M. C. A. hall, the following programme will be carried out: Piano solo, Miss Claire Macgregor; general business; vocal solo, Miss Schell; papers by Mr. Binns, Miss Lawson, Miss Chapman, Mr. Watson and Miss Russell; vocal solo, Mrs. Gregson; papers by Mr. Willis, B. A.; Mr. Wallace, B. A.; Miss A. D. Cameron, J. M. Campbell and Miss Speers.

J. F. Smith, superintendent of the Yoho Bath Heater Company of Vancouver, is in the city pushing the sale of the article that the company is putting on the market. The heater is made of copper enclosed by a water jacket, into which the water, when turned, almost instantly becomes heated and runs out into the tub at boiling point. The company have the entire rights for Canada for the invention, which certainly is remarkably adapted for the purpose for which it is designed.

SATISFACTORY YEAR.

Annual Meeting of the B. C. Electric Railway Company's Employees.

The second annual meeting of the B. C. Electric Railway Company's Employees' Sick Benefit Association was held in the company's car shed last evening, when a very gratifying balance sheet was presented to the members. After the regular routine business had been disposed of, a vote of thanks to the president and officers of the association was proposed by Mr. Dewar, seconded by Mr. Barr, and carried unanimously.

The election of officers for the incoming year was then proceeded with, when the following were elected: A. T. Goward, president; W. Gibson, vice-president; W. H. Smith, secretary; J. G. Battersby, treasurer; T. N. Conder, W. Armstrong, Y. Dempsey and D. Dewar, managing committee.

A vote of thanks to the company for its generous donation to the society's fund and for the support rendered by the local management, which has so largely contributed to the success of the association financially and otherwise—since its inception, was passed amidst much enthusiasm.

At the conclusion of the meeting, those present sat down to a supper provided by several of the members, when hearty justice was done to the many good things so thoughtfully provided by them.

The B. C. Electric Railway Company is to be congratulated on the goodwill and friendliness which exists between all departments of its business, and the success of this association is eloquent proof of what can be accomplished when capital and labor work together for each other's welfare.

PULP LANDS RESERVE.

Areas Set Aside for Two Years for the Island Power Company.

This week's Gazette contains notice that all the unappropriated crown lands situated within the boundaries of the following areas are reserved from sale or other disposition, excepting under the provisions of the mining laws of the province, for two years from the date hereof, to enable the Island Power Company, Limited, to select therefrom timber limits for wood pulp and paper manufacturing purposes, as provided by an agreement bearing date the 10th day of May, 1904, viz:

Area No. 1.—All the land situate at Port Neville lying west of the 126th meridian between Sutherland Channel and Port Neville.

Area No. 2.—That portion of Thurlow Island extending six miles eastward from the western end of Thurlow Island.

Area No. 3.—Commencing at a point three miles west of Chatham Point; thence westerly along the southern shore of Johnstone Strait two miles and a half; thence south three miles; thence east two miles and a half; thence north to place of beginning.

Area No. 4.—Beginning at Beaver Inlet and extending northerly along the westerly shore of Longborough Inlet a distance of three miles; thence in a northwesterly direction a distance of three miles; thence southerly three miles; thence easterly three miles to place of commencement.

Area No. 5.—All the lands situate on McBride's bay at the head of Longborough Inlet, and being three miles wide and extending north a distance of three miles.

Area No. 6.—All the lands lying at the head of Phillips Arm, and being two miles wide and extending in a northwesterly direction a distance of four miles.

Area No. 7.—All the lands lying west of timber limit No. 110 and north of the fifth parallel, beginning at Upper Campbell lake and extending in a westerly direction a distance of six miles; thence in an easterly direction six miles; thence in a southerly direction six miles to the place of beginning.

Area No. 8.—All that territory not included in the E. & N. Railway Co.'s land grant adjoining each side of Buttle lake and its tributaries, extending back two miles on each side of Buttle lake and half a mile on each side of the tributaries.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CELEBRATIONS

Expenditure to Be Entailed by Victoria Day Festivities—General Committee Meets Friday.

The various committees in charge of the preparations for the Victoria Day celebrations are displaying considerable energy in making the necessary arrangements. All the details of the programme of festivities will be attended to and the indications are that the forthcoming carnival will prove one of the most successful held here for years.

When members of the canvassing committee first interviewed the citizens for the purpose of soliciting support their requests did not meet with the usual generous response. In fact, Secretary Morey at once felt doubtful whether there would be sufficient funds to carry the proposed programme through. Since then, however, local business men seemed to have come to a realization of the necessity of co-operation in order to make the Victoria Day celebrations not only creditable, but something to be remembered. The latest return of the canvassing committee shows this gratifying change of feeling and the finance committee will now be able to make the required appropriations without any fear of overdraw.

So far the only grant that has been definitely made is that of \$500 to the Illumination committee. Another matter that has not yet been definitely decided is the request of the Victoria Gun Club for \$100 for a shoot to take place on Monday morning at Beacon Hill. This will come up for consideration at a meeting of the general committee to be held on Friday. That the celebration this year will cost the citizens of Victoria between \$2,000 and \$2,500.

A suggestion has been made by a prominent citizen that a parade of private carriages and buggies be arranged to take place in connection with the carnival. This, it is pointed out, would be a splendid attraction and would entail absolutely no additional expense. There are a number of handsome vehicles owned here, and such a parade would be of exceptional interest. This will also be taken into consideration by the general committee.

This afternoon meetings are being held of the Illumination and printing and advertising committees, the business under consideration being the details of the arrangements for the former attraction and the taking of further steps to advertise the forthcoming carnival throughout the province and Washington.

As already stated, there will be a meeting of the general committee on Friday. At this meeting the final arrangements will be discussed. Reports will be received from the different committees, the question of appropriations definitely decided upon and other details dealt with. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock and a full attendance is requested.

The canvassing committee has submitted the following additional subscriptions: Sir H. Joly de Locheville, Victoria Trans-fer Co., \$20; Pemberton & Son, Weller Bros., \$15; Vernon and Dallas Hotels, B. C. Market, Grotto Saloon, Chalmers & Mitchell and D. Spencer, \$10; Thos. Hooper, \$7.50; Mr. Clay, W. & J. Wilson, Angus Campbell, D. E. Campbell, F. M. Rattenbury, Ernest Levermore, Brown Jug, Finch & Finch and Radiger & Janlon, \$5; Campbell & Collin, Geo. Seider, \$3; W. T. Hardaker, Simmons & Coker, M. R. Smith & Co., Dr. Robertson, J. Colbert, Thos. Shotbolt, W. G. Cameron, Grand Pacific, McCandless Bros., H. E. Levy, F. Norris, S. Shore, Lighthouse, On Hing and L. Hafer, \$2.50; Dominion Paint Co., A. Sheret, Speed Bros., Terry & Marret, W. H. Anderson, Chadwick & White, Colonial Hotel, Telegraph Hotel, Picheu & Leffler, Bey-gan & Booth, Clayton & Cochrane, Fred, Foster, Scott & Peden, R. S. Day, R. Lettice, J. Savannah, K. John, J. E. Gryce, Ah Hoy, Wing Chow & Co., Pook Lung, \$2; M. Bantly, Mrs. Rickford, Mikado Tea Room, Thos. C. Meade, John Teague, Jr., J. Salmon, A. J. Clyde, J. M. Burnes, Jos. Dubois, Alex. Peden, Ben Ton, Chong Lung, Hing Wong Lung Kee, Fung Yuen, Charlie Dun, Quong Man Lung, Yee Yick Chung, Quong Sing Wing, Yick Ling, Ching Lung & Co., \$1; H. Bostwick, Lee Lung Lee, Wong Tung Supg Co., H. Greenfelder, Wo Sang, \$50c.

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It has been said that thunderstorms are influenced by the moon. Nearly 12,000 observations collected by the United States weather bureau show a preponderance of 33 per cent. in the first half of the lunar month. The greatest number of thunderstorms come between the new moon and the first quarter; the least number between the full moon and the last quarter. This, perhaps, the only satisfactory evidence that the weather is at all influenced by the moon.

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NEW MANAGER OF THE DRIARD HOTEL

HE ASSUMED CHARGE OF BUSINESS TO-DAY

C. A. Harrison Will Henceforth Conduct Well-Known Hostelry—Gus Hartnagle Retires.

The management of the Driard hotel has changed hands. Gus Hartnagle having been succeeded by C. A. Harrison, one of the best known hotel men on the coast. Mr. Hartnagle, who has conducted this popular hostelry for the past twelve years, retires from business.

The change went into effect this morning. The new manager, escorted by his predecessor, made a preliminary tour of the premises and then took up his position behind the counter. To a Times representative he said he had leased the hotel from Mr. Dunsmuir for five years, and would conduct it as a strictly first-class house on both American and European plans. He intended inaugurating a number of changes, but at the present time he was hardy prepared to announce what they would be. He would also look after the commercial trade he would also look after the commercial trade he would also look after the commercial trade.

Mr. Harrison is no stranger to Victoria. He has visited the city more or less frequently for years, and is thoroughly familiar with the conditions here. He believes the city offers every opportunity for the hotel business.

He has consequently taken hold of the Driard without any hesitancy. There is no doubt that these opportunities will be improved to the utmost extent. Mr. Harrison has had twenty-two years' experience as a hotelier, and knows every point in the business. Previous to entering on his present venture he conducted two hotels in Los Angeles and the Abbotford Inn. In addition to these he has conducted such hostels as the New St. James, in San Jose; the Hot Springs Hotel, Yellowstone Park; the Upper Geyser Hotel, in the same magnificent national resort; the Nicholas House, in Minneapolis; the Hotel Chalmers, in Tacoma; and the well-known Rainier Grand, in Seattle. In view of this extensive experience there is every reason to expect that his management of the Driard will be characterized by marked success.

Victoria is now known as a tourist resort of considerable prominence. Its charms have been advertised far and wide and the results of this advertisement should soon be apparent in full force. Evidently Mr. Harrison appreciates this fact, and although he intends to devote special attention to the commercial trade he will call into activity all his knowledge of the tourist industry in dealing with what must assuredly become a strong factor in the prosperity of the city.

The retirement of Mr. Hartnagle removes from the management of the big hotel a very popular host, and one who numbered warm friends and acquaintances in all parts of the world. Genial and accommodating, he always created a most favorable impression on his guests, who, while cordially welcoming his successor, will just as warmly wish him good luck in whatever field of activity he proposes to bend his energies.

Although Mr. Harrison has leased the Driard for a term of five years it is expected that should he be successful in the enterprise he will ultimately purchase it. He is said to have considerable capital behind him.

SPOLE A BICYCLE

Young Man Sentenced to Three Months' Imprisonment To-Day for Theft.

A youth named Daniel Mills was charged with the theft of a bicycle belonging to Arthur Kent, of the Pacific Telephone Company. The prisoner was formerly in the employ of Mr. Kent, and the wheel was missed not long after he left. He was seen riding on it, and when accosted said he purchased it from somebody. He was arrested last night by Detective Macdonald and Constable Harper.

In the police court this morning it was learned that Mills had sold the bicycle to an employee of Mr. Bittancourt's for two dollars. The lad said he wanted to part with it because he was going to the Sound and would not need it any longer. Chief Langley said that Mills had been before the magistrate several times and was incorrigible. He consorted with evil companions, and although every effort had been made to keep him straight it was useless.

While in the prisoners' dock the boy assumed a demeanor of bravado and acted as though he did not care whether he went to jail or not. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labor.

UNFOUNDED REPORTS

Of Conspiracy to Destroy Russian Fortresses and of Plot Against the Czar.

(Associated Press.) Vienna, May 12.—Nothing is known here of the reports published yesterday of the alleged discovery of an anarchist conspiracy to blow up Russian fortresses and military depots, and of a plot against the life of the Russian Emperor. Possibly the report originated in the vague rumors of anarchist plots which were circulated here last week and which have since been contradicted.

DISTRICT MEETING ENDED

Representatives of Committees Appointed to Attend Methodist Conference—Other Business Discussed.

The final sessions of the Victoria Methodist district meeting were held yesterday morning and afternoon at the Metropolitan church, when all business in preparation for the conference to be held commencing on Wednesday next at New Westminster was completed. Rev. Elliott S. Rowe took the chair in the forenoon at 9:30 o'clock, and the proceedings were opened by the usual devotional exercises. Several matters of importance were then taken up and a motion to the effect that Rev. A. S. Sanford and C. Spencer form a committee to make out a list of those who have deficiencies in salaries was carried. Those reported will be recommended to the consideration of the committee in charge of the distribution of the sustentation fund.

An important and helpful discussion followed with reference to the manner of keeping the circuit registers and the necessity of systematic and accurate records of membership. Owing to the transfer of Rev. Dr. Rowe it was pointed out that a new chairman would have to be selected to that position temporarily, the regular election not taking place until the conference. Rev. J. P. Westman was chosen on the second ballot.

Other matters of minor importance were considered after which an adjournment was taken until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at which meeting the appointment of representatives of the different committees to attend the conference was dealt with. This resulted in the election of the following:

Stationing Committee—Rev. A. M. Sanford, and alternate, Rev. S. S. Osterhout. Nominating Committee—Rev. A. M. Sanford and J. E. Thomas. Sunday School—Rev. Robert Hughes and Dr. Lewis Hall. Epworth League—Rev. S. S. Osterhout and J. Watson. Contingent—Rev. J. C. Hicks and J. W. Pimlott. Temperance—Rev. J. P. Westman and S. Graft. Sustentation—Rev. A. M. Sanford and W. J. MacKay. Memorial—Rev. R. Hughes and C. Spencer. Sabbath Observance—Rev. S. S. Osterhout and S. M. O'Neil. Church Property—Rev. W. Dean and A. Lee.

State of the Work—Rev. C. H. Wright and J. Haggart.

It was decided to recommend the conference as follows: Dr. Lewis Hall, for a term of five years, and the appointment to be made under the supervision of the Covelian mission. Lay representatives were appointed to conference as follows: Dr. Lewis Hall, A. Lee, C. Spencer, J. E. Thomas, S. M. O'Neil, S. Graft (Nanaimo), J. Watson (Nanaimo), W. J. MacKay (Cowichan), J. Haggart (Ladysmith), and J. W. Pimlott (Kootenay).

Following this the appended resolution, moved by Rev. A. M. Sanford and seconded by Rev. W. Dean, was carried unanimously: That the members of this annual district meeting desire to place on record their very high appreciation of the services rendered by the Rev. E. S. Rowe, D. D., as chairman of the district. His excellent gifts as an administrator and his power as a preacher and public speaker have tended in a very large measure to promote the success of the church in this district. We desire to express our deep appreciation of the cordial relationship that has existed between him and the members of the district, and our earnest wish that the richest blessing of heaven may rest upon him and Mrs. Rowe in their future work for the Master.

After some details of business were dealt with, it was decided by those present that the next annual district meeting should be held in Victoria. An adjournment was then taken until conference, which a meeting will be held for the confirmation of the minutes.

BROUGHT BACK TO LIFE

Successful Cases of Revival by Heart Massage Described by Philadelphia Doctor.

Dr. W. W. Keen declared at a meeting of the Philadelphia County Medical Society recently that a most remarkable field in surgery had been opened in cardiac massage, whereby life apparently extinct had been restored by renewing the heart's pulsation.

"Life apparently extinct has been renewed, or shall we say the dead have been brought back to life," said the doctor, "by continuing the heart's pulsation when it has closed by forcing the physical action through massage."

Dr. Keen made this important assertion when he discussed a case of abdominal hysterectomy in which massage of the heart for chloroform collapse was employed. The operation, which the famous surgeons of the world, primarily in Europe, have employed, twenty-seven times, has been successful twice. Dr. Keen was himself one of the first to resort to the delicate use of the knife in this country, but was unsuccessful. He reported how, when in operating for "Total Laryngectomy," the heart ceased to beat, respiration was absent, and collapse from chloroform complete, the diaphragm was cut open and the massage method employed. Death in this instance had been apparent for at least five minutes before the operation was undertaken. When at the end of that time the heart had been exposed and massage applied, the heart resumed its pulsation, and the respiration was restored by artificial means, but death occurred within thirty minutes.

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MOBILIZE

How Portsmouth Springs Into Activity. When Reservists Are Called Out.

Since Admiral Sir John Fisher took over the command at Portsmouth naval depot, sweeping changes have been made in the dockyard and the administration generally. All employees who were reported as inefficient or superfluous have been dismissed, and a good deal of the ancient red tape methods of the Admiralty, which harassed Lord Nelson in his time, has been done away with, says the London Express.

John Fisher believes in a great deal of work with very little talk, and when he gives a command it has to be obeyed or trouble may be expected shortly on the horizon. Formerly the commander-in-chief visited the dockyard and the various naval establishments at a certain hour on fixed days, but that has all been changed. The Admiral does not give out preliminary notices of his approach; instead he dashes round the harbor in his swift seventeen-knot steam launch and expects the officers to be prepared for his inspection at any hour during the day. There is now an air of bustle and activity in Portsmouth depot which was formerly a place of peaceful repose and innocuous quiet.

The scheme for the mobilization of the fleet reserves has been carried out on lines which are as simple to understand as they are perfect in organization. The men are all in touch with the naval authorities and ready to start from home on receipt of a telegram. All stores, men's kits, hammocks, bedding, blankets, are ready in the naval barracks to fit out 4,000 men, and there is a reserve stock for 20,000 ready to be issued from the Clarence-Victoria yard.

Boards with names of the ships are ready painted, and lists of the crews for each vessel, including the merchant cruisers, have been prepared.

On receipt of a telegram to mobilize, the officer of the day at the naval barracks orders the bugle to be sounded, and all the training classes fall in on the parade ground. Petty officers are sent to the stations to meet the reservists arriving and direct them to the barracks. The ship's steward has victualling rations ready drawn for 4,000 men.

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